that TV signals from across the border intrude into the Kutch district.

(b) In view of high corrosion of the TV tower and antenna caused by salinity and high humidity, the High Power (10 KW) TV Transmitter (HPT) at Dwarka is being operated at a reduced power of 1 KW since June, 1988. Whereas no information is available about the damage, if any, caused to the TV sets under the service area of HPT Dwarka, it has been planned to shift the HPT at Dwarka, from its existing location to a suitable alternative site for avoiding such coarrosion problems.

(c) and (d) A Low Power TV Transmitter (LPT) at Khambat (Cambay) has been made technically ready and is expected to be commissioned into service soon.

Threat of Strike by Film Industry

1983. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a press news-item captioned "Film industry threatens stir" as reported in the Hindustan Times dated the 16th July, 1993;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government on the points reported therein;

(c) whether Government propose to save the film industry from collapse; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (d) Government have seen the news-item. The film industry has raised the following three main points:--

(1) Abolition of entertainment tax;

(2) Increase in the royalty rates for feature films telecast; and

(3) Streamlining the procedure for selection of feature films for telecast.

Regarding (1), entertainment tax is a State subject and it is primarily for State Governments and Union Territory Administrations to consider this.

Regarding (2), the royalty rates for feature films telecast have been recently revised on 8-6-93.

As for (3), it was suggested to the film industry to nominate 8 members on the selection committee for films meant for Doordarshan, but the film industry did not avail of the opportunity.

Government are ready to discuss the problems being faced by the film industry so as to find a solution for the same.

Telecast of Tyson Film on Doordarshan

1984. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a press news captioned "DD knocked out over Tyson Film" as reported in the HT of 11th July, 1993;

(b) if so, what are the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether the foreign company has blamed Doordarshan for the lapses on telecast of Tyson Film without obtain copyrights etc.; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. A Programme titled 'Great Moments of Boxing' was telecast by Doordarshan on 4-11-1990 under the sponsored category. It was sponsored by M/s Radiant Sports Management (RSM). Since the responsibility for acquiring telecast rights in the case of sponsored programmes is that of the sponsorer, the dispute on alleged infringement of telecast right is required to be settled between the RSM and the rights holder. Doordarshan have advised RSM to settle the matter.